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5. SOON *as*. Immediately; at the very time.  
*As soon as* he came nigh unto the camp, he saw the calf and  
the dance. Ex. xxxii. 19.

Nor was his virtue poison'd, *soon as born,*  
With the too early thoughts of being king. *Dryden.*

SOONLY. *adv.* [from *soon*.] Quickly; speedily. This word I remember in no other place; but if *soon* be, as it seems once to have been, an adjective, *soonly* is proper.

A mason meets with a stone that wants no cutting, and,  
soon approving of it, places it in his work. *More.*

It hath a flower, which for the most part is composed of  
four petals, expanding in form of a rose: from whose four

four leaves, expanding in form of a rose, from whole four-leaved empalement arises the pointal, which afterward becomes a spherical fruit, inclosing a nut of the same form. *Miller.*

SOOT. *n. f.* [rot, Saxon; *foot*, Islandick; *foet*, Dutch.] Condensed or embodied smoke.

*Soot*, though thin spread in a field, is a very good compost. *Bacon*.  
If the fire be not kept within the tunnel of the chimney,

and some appointed to sweep down the *foot*, the house will be in danger of burning. *Howel.*

Oft they assay'd,  
Hunger and thirst constraining; drugg'd as oft  
With hatefullest discords, writh'd their jaws

With *son* and cinders fill'd. *Milton's Paradise Lost.*  
Our household gods, that droop upon our hearths,

Each from his venerable face shall brush  
The Macedonian foot, and shine again. *Dryd. Cleomenes.*

SOOTED. *adj.* [from *soot*.] Smeared, manured, or covered with foot.

The land was *sooted* before. *Mortimer.*

So'OTERKIN. *n.f.* A kind of false birth fabled to be produced by the Dutch women from sitting over their stoves.

When Jove was, from his teeming head,  
Of wit's fair goddess brought to-bed,  
There follow'd at his lying-in.

For after-birth, a *footerkin*. Swift.  
SOOTH. *n.f.* [ʃoð, Saxon.] Truth; reality. Obsolete.

Sir, understand you this of me in *sooth*,  
Th' youngest daughter, whom you hearken for,  
Her father keeps from all access of suitors.

Her father keeps from all access of suitors,  
Until the eldest sister first be wed. *Shakespeare:*  
That e'er this tongue of mine,

That laid the sentence of dread banishment  
On yond proud man, should take it off again  
With words of love.

He looks like *foth*: he says he loves my daughter;  
I think so too; for never gaz'd the moon

Upon the water, as he'll stand and read  
My daughter's eyes. *Shakesp. Winter's Tale.*

The very *sooth* of it is, that an ill habit has the force of an

I did not mean to chide you ;

For, *sooth* to say, I hold it noble in you  
To cherish the distress'd. Rowe.  
*SOOTH*, *adi* from Saxon. Pleasing; delightful

Some other means I have,  
Which once of Melibæus old I learn'd,

The *sootheſt* ſhepherd that e'er pip'd on plains. *Milton.*  
To SOOTH. *v. a.* [*geroðian*, Saxon.]  
1. To flatter: to pleaſe with blandiſh.

In *soothing* them, we nourish 'gainst our senate  
The cockle of rebellion, insolence, sedition. *Shakespeare*

Can I *footh* tyranny?  
Seem pleas'd to see my royal master murder'd,

By his fair daughter is the chief confin'd,  
Who *sooths* to dear delight his anxious mind.

Successless all her soft caresses prove,  
To banish from his breast his country's love. *Pope's Odyssey.*

Thoughtless and dull, will listen to his *soothing*?  
I've try'd the force of every reason on him.

Rowe.

*Sooth'd and carcs'd, been angry, sooth'd again;  
Laid safety, life, and interest in his sight;*

2. To calm; to soften; to mollify.  
The beldame

3. To gratify; to please.

This calm'd his cares; *sooth'd* with his future fame,  
And pleas'd to hear his propagated name. Dryden.

I cannot flatter: I defy

To SOOTHSA'Y. *v. n.* [*sooth* and *say*.] To predict; to foretell.

which brought her masters much gain by *soothsaying*. *Æt* xvi.

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